

REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL:

Austin, Texas, May 3rd, 1928.

The Council was called to order by the Mayor. Roll call showed the following members present: Mayor McFadden, Councilmen Mueller, Pannell, Reed, and Steck, 5; absent, none.

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and Councilman Pannell moved the adoption of same. Motion was seconded by Councilman Mueller, and same prevailed by the following vote: Ayes, Mayor McFadden, Councilmen Mueller, Pannell, Reed, and Steck, 5; nays, none.

Dr. T. W. Currie appeared before the Council and submitted a written statement requesting that the properties of the Austin Theological Seminary be exempt from taxation. Councilman Steck moved that, it having been shown that the entire properties of said Institution are used exclusively for educational purposes, the same be classed as school property and therefore exempt from taxation, and that the Assessor and Collector be instructed to strike from his rolls the assessment against said property for the year 1927. Motion was seconded by Councilman Reed and same prevailed by the following vote: Ayes, Mayor McFadden, Councilmen Mueller, Pannell, Reed, and Steck, 5; nays, none.

Councilman Mueller moved that the Council recess, subject to call of the Mayor. Motion was seconded by Councilman Steck and same prevailed by the following vote: Ayes, Mayor McFadden, Councilmen Mueller, Pannell, Reed, and Steck, 5; nays, none.

The Council then recessed.

Approved: J. H. McFadden
Mayor.

REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL:

Austin, Texas, May 10, 1928.

The Council was called to order by the Mayor. Roll call showed the following members present: Mayor McFadden, Councilmen Mueller, Pannell, Reed, and Steck, 5; absent, none.

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and Councilman Mueller moved the adoption of same. Motion was seconded by Mayor McFadden, and same prevailed by the following vote: Ayes, Mayor McFadden, Councilmen Mueller, Pannell, Reed, and Steck, 5; nays, none.

A communication from Edwin W. Frame, proposing to sell to the City certain land for an airport site, was read and referred to the Airport Committee of the Council.

Mayor McFadden laid before the Council the following report of the City Engineer:

"Austin, Texas, May 9, 1928.

Mr. Adam R. Johnson,
City Manager,
Austin, Texas.

Dear Sir:

The Dozier Construction Company has excavated and paved the following alleys in accordance with their contract and are requesting formal acceptance of same. The alleys are in addition to those reported under dates of February 2, 1928, and March 19, 1928.

Between Colorado Street and Congress Avenue, 10th Street north one-half block;

Between 8th and 9th Streets, Guadalupe Street to San Antonio Street;

Between 6th and 7th Streets, Brazos Street to San Jacinto Street;

Between 5th and 6th Streets, Lavaca Street to Guadalupe Street;

Between 10th and 11th Streets, Lavaca Street to Guadalupe Street;

Between 9th and 10th Streets, Guadalupe Street to Lavaca Street;

Between 7th and 8th Streets, Colorado Street to Lavaca Street;

Between 5th and 6th Streets, Neches Street to Red River Street.

All work has been done under the supervision of our official inspector and has been completed in accordance with plans and specifications for same.

I hereby recommend formal acceptance of the above alleys by the City Council.

Yours very truly,

Orin E. Metcalfe,
City Engineer.

By W. H. Wood,
Asst. City Engineer."

Councilman Mueller moved that the above report of the City Engineer be adopted. Motion was seconded by Councilman Steck, and same prevailed by the following vote: Ayes, Mayor McFadden, Councilmen Mueller, Pannell, Reed, and Steck, 5; nays, none.

Mayor McFadden laid before the Council the following resolution:

WHEREAS, Austin Gas Company has presented to the City Council tentative maps or plans showing the proposed construction of its gas mains in the streets in the City of Austin hereafter named, and said maps or plans have been considered by the City Engineer; therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN:

THAT Austin Gas Company be, and the same is hereby permitted to lay and construct its 4-inch gas main on Johanna Street from the west line of Congress Avenue to the east line of Newton Street, the center of said main to be 15 feet south of the north line of Johanna Street and parallel thereto.

THAT the work and laying of said gas main, including the excavation in the streets and the restoration and maintenance of said streets after said mains have been laid, shall be under the supervision and direction of the City Manager, and under all the pertinent terms and conditions of the certain franchise granted to said Company by the City of Austin.

The above resolution was adopted by the following vote: Ayes, Mayor McFadden, Councilmen Mueller, Pannell, Reed, and Steck, 5; nays, none.

Mayor McFadden laid before the Council the following application of S. E. Basey for permit to erect a drive-in filling station; also report of the Safety Committee upon same:

" Austin, Texas, May 3, 1928.

To the Safety Committee:

Gentlemen:

I hereby respectfully request permit be granted me to erect and operate a drive-in filling station at 1008 West 34th Street.

Respectfully,

(Sgd) S. E. Basey. "

"Hon Mayor and City Council.

Gentlemen:

We, your committee on the application of S. E. Basey asking permission to install and operate a drive-in gasoline filling station at corner of Thirty-fourth and McDonald Avenue, make the following report:

We, the committee, recommend that this permission be granted, subject to the following conditions:

1. That all buildings and equipment shall be placed inside of the property line, correct lines to be obtained before construction starts, or equipment installed. Lines and grades to be obtained from the City Engineering Department for entrances and driveways, building plans to be approved by the City Building Inspector.
2. That ceiling of that portion of the building that extends over driveways shall be covered with metal. Supports for portion extended over driveways to be supported by brick or reinforced concrete pillars.
3. That gasoline storage tanks and pumps, and equipment used in connection therewith shall be of an approved type, and shall bear the label of the National Board of Fire Underwriters. All equipment to be installed in compliance with City and State Regulations governing such installations. All equipment to be inspected and approved before being placed in service.
4. That gasoline pumps and other equipment used in connection with the operation of a gasoline filling station shall be so located that cars receiving service therefrom will not in any manner obstruct the sidewalk, street or alleyway.
5. That electric lights only, shall be used for lighting purposes, and all electric wiring shall be done in compliance with regulations governing the wiring of gasoline filling stations, and shall be approved by the City Electrical Department.
6. That "No Smoking" signs shall be displayed at all times, and no person shall be permitted to smoke or have any open flame on premises where gasoline is sold or stored.
7. That there shall be kept in an accessible place at all times, a chemical fire extinguisher, for emergency use.
8. That provision shall be made to take care of waste oils and water by having the proper connections with storm or sanitary sewer. Connections to be made under the supervision of the City Engineering Department. That if a complaint is filed on account of water running in ditch on 34th Street originating at this filling station that the nuisance be abated at the expense of the owner of the property on which the filling station is located.
9. That a plan of the filling station, showing the proposed location of pumps, driveways, and methods of draining away waste water and oils shall be filed with and approved by the City Engineer before the commencement of construction.
10. That permission shall be granted subject to the above conditions, and the present and future rules and regulations and ordinances of the City of Austin, Texas, applying to or regulating gasoline filling stations, and said permission shall be held to be granted and accepted, subject to all necessary, reasonable and proper, present and future regulations and ordinances of the City of Austin, Texas, in the enforcement of proper police, traffic and fire regulations; and the right of revocation is retained if, after hearing, it is found by the City Council that the said S. E. Basey has failed and refused, and will continue to fail and refuse to perform any such conditions, regulations and ordinances.

(Sgd) J. E. Woody,
Fire Chief.
R. F. Rockwood,
Fire Marshal.
Orin E. Metcalfe,
City Engineer. "

Councilman Mueller moved that the above permit be granted, subject to the above recommendations of the Safety Committee. Motion was seconded by Councilman Pannell, and same prevailed by the following vote: Ayes, Mayor

McFadden, Councilmen Mueller, Pannell, Reed, and Steck, 5; nays, none.

Mayor McFadden laid before the Council the following:

"Austin, Texas, May 3, 1928.

Mr. Adam R. Johnson,
City Manager,
Austin, Texas.

Dear Sir:

I hand you herewith petition of Anton Stossewender, requesting that the valuation on Lots 1 to 6, Block 1, Outlet 4, Division "O", and the buildings located thereon, be reduced from \$5605.00 to \$4500.00.

At my request, Mr. Ledbetter has appraised the buildings located on this property and finds that the total present value of these buildings is \$1960.00. The land is equalized with adjoining property, and it is my recommendation that the assessed valuation of the land be not disturbed, but that the assessed valuation of the improvements thereon be reduced from \$1965.00 to \$1300.00.

Yours truly,

(Sgd) S. W. Mabry, III.
Director of Finance."

Councilman Reed moved that the above recommendation of S. W. Mabry, III, Director of Finance, be adopted, and the Assessor and Collector be directed to change his rolls accordingly. Motion was seconded by Councilman Mueller and same prevailed by the following vote: Ayes, Mayor McFadden, Councilmen Mueller, Pannell, Reed, and Steck, 5; nays, none.

Councilman Reed moved that the expense account of the City Manager, in the amount of \$37.15, incurred in his trip to Denton, Texas, to attend the Convention of the League of Texas Municipalities, be approved and ordered paid. Motion was seconded by Councilman Mueller and same prevailed by the following vote: Ayes, Mayor McFadden, Councilmen Mueller, Pannell, Reed, and Steck, 5; nays, none.

Councilman Mueller moved that the Council recess, subject to call of the Mayor. Motion was seconded by Councilman Reed, and same prevailed by the following vote: Ayes, Mayor McFadden, Councilmen Mueller, Pannell, Reed, and Steck, 5; nays, none.

The Council then recessed.

Approved: 
Mayor.

REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL:

Austin, Texas, May 17th, 1928.

The Council was called to order by the Mayor. Roll call showed the following members present: Mayor McFadden, Councilmen Mueller, Pannell, and Steck, 4; absent, Councilman Reed, 1.

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and Councilman Steck moved the adoption of same. Motion was seconded by Councilman Mueller, and same prevailed by the following vote: Ayes, Mayor McFadden, Councilmen Mueller, Pannell, and Steck, 4; nays, none, Councilman Reed absent.

Councilman Reed entered the Council Chamber.

Mayor McFadden laid before the Council the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Southwestern Bell Telephone Company has presented to the City Council tentative maps or plans showing the proposed construction of its pole lines in the streets in the City of Austin hereafter named, and said maps or plans have been